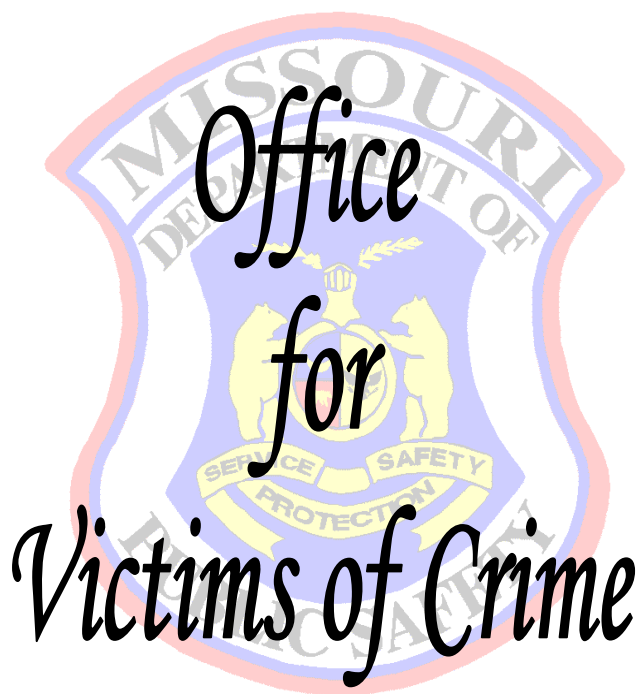


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What is the Missouri Office for Victims of Crime (MoVC)?

The Missouri Office for Victims of Crime is a division within The Department of Public Safety, Office of the Director. This office was created to be a liaison between victims, victim service providers, and the criminal justice system. The Office for Victims of Crime is defined in RSMo. 650.310 as being established for the purpose of promoting fair and just treatment to victims of crime. The Missouri Office for Victims of Crime is available to victims, victim service providers, and members of the criminal justice system. We are here for you!

What are your rights? The Missouri Constitution affords the following rights to victims:

- To be present at all criminal justice proceedings at which the defendant has such right (including Juvenile proceedings

where the offense would have been a felony if committed by an adult)

- To, upon request, be informed of and heard at: guilty pleas, bail hearings, sentencing, probation revocation hearings, and parole hearings
- To be informed of trials and preliminary hearings
- To restitution
- To speedy disposition and appellate review of cases
- To reasonable protection from the defendant or any person acting on behalf of the defendant
- To information about: How the criminal justice system works, the rights and availability of services, and upon request, information about the crime

What can MoVC do for you?

MoVC can:

- Provide a communication link so that victims can exercise their rights and have access to services

- Assist victim advocates with public policy and resources to enhance and expand victims' rights and services
- Inform the public, professionals, and policy makers about crime victims issues
- Educate, train and provide technical assistance to professionals assisting victims of crime
- MoVANS, an automated victim notification system
- Inquire about complaints of alleged crime victims' rights violations

In the event a **victim** feels his/her rights have been violated, please have the **victim** submit a written complaint to:

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Fax: (573) 751-5399

Resources:

Office for Victims of Crime
866-334-MOVC

Crime Victims Compensation
800-347-6881

Child Abuse Hotline
800-392-3738

Elder Abuse Hotline
800-392-0210

Missouri Coalition Against Domestic Violence
888-666-1911

Missouri Coalition Against Sexual Assault
877-7MOCASA

Missouri Victim Assistance Network
800-698-9199

Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS)
(573) 346-4911

National Center for Missing and Exploited
Children 800-843-5678

Sexual Assault Crisis Hotline
800-656-HOPE

National Domestic Violence Hotline
800-799-7233

The L.E.A.D. Institute (Hotline for victims who
are deaf) 800-380-3323

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